#### SEARCH FOR CAUSE OF BROKEN SHAFTS

Naval Board of Inspection to Make Exhaustive Inquiry at Norflak

BATTLESHIP VERMONT

Members Hope Results Also May Be of Benefit to Merchant Marine.

Washington, December 26 .- With the broken shaft of the battleship Vermont as an object lesson, the naval board of inspection and survey is going to the begin an exhaustive inquiry into the causes for the breaking of the great main shafting of naval vessels. One of the two great propeller shafts of the Vermont snapped while the battleship was breasting a storm in midocean two weeks ago, returning from the Mediterranean to Hampton Roads. The vessel was kept under way with sued to-day by the Department of Comthe remaining propeller until assist. merce. that would have followed had

complished in spite of the fact that there is a fortnightly service of German passenger and freight steamers he character among American navy veresters and while temporary expedients were adopted, mainly in the direction of enlarging the size of the shafting it is served as the country, and is served and any sterving circles just why a shaft should make up the Union of most engineers. But what is planted in spite of the fact that the day he disappeared. Investigation shows that would take the next descended his work there is a fortnightly service of German candificate that the would take the next data that he would take the next and stated that he would take the next destinant the edge in place of milling: the of the day he disappeared. Investigation shows that he completed his work there are lawyed that the two substitution for Lynchburg, in order to be at copper coins, 1735. Connecticut State been learned of him.

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Vermont, and later this will be the subject of some special studies by the engineering classes at Annapolis. The starboard shaft of the Vermont, which was unbroken, will be removed and subjected to tests to ascertain it it was weakened in any degree. Simultaneously careful measurements will be taken of the bearings of the long line of shafting to make sure that they

the steel as to cause a fracture.

This inquiry is to be made as thorough as possible with the hope that its results may be of great benefit to the merchant marine, as well as the navy, if it develops a means of detecting unsoundness in metals by exterior inspection and measurements. spection and measurements.

New Orleans. Decomber 26. Secretary Hes-ter's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton, issued to-day, shows the total visible to be 1,995.516 bales against 1,522.56 last week and 5,793,004 last year. Of this, the total of American cotton is 4,45,616 bales against 4,336,245 last week and 5,179,004 last year, and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 1,49,000 bales against 1,465,000 last week and 1,154,000 last year.

Use Vitaqua (Ve-taw-qua) Sparkling Water in high-balls. A combination of wonderfully pure Broad Rock water and carbonic acid gas, and NOTHING ELSE. No foreign adulterants to affect the flavor of your "mixings."

### AWAY FROM HOME IN SECOND PLACE FOR SEVERAL DAYS

Norfolk Navy-Yard in a few days to Exceeded Only by Great Britain Jesse O'Halloran, of Lynchburg, in Value of Trade With South Africa.

> Washington, December 26 .- The United States was second only to Great Britain in the exportation of manu-

ance summoned by wireless arrived, that therefore never was in the extreme many in the trade, and this was ac-complished in spite of the fact that there is a fortnightly service of Ger-

the not twelve knots speed is the distinct of finding of most engineers but what of South Africa has risen from \$5.

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Missing, and Friends Find No Clue to Whereabouts.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] ynchburg, Va., December 26.—It was Lynchburg, Va., December 26.—It was learned to-day that Jesse O'Halloran, factures to South Africa during the past year, according to a bulletin in- home in the city since December 15. since which his family and friends have been unable to ascertain the slightest clue as to his whereabouts.

It is understood that Mr. O'Halloran went to Roanoke to transact business amination.
the day he disappeared. Investigation as follows:
shows that he completed his work there Silver dol

taken of the bearings of the long line of shafting to make sure that they have not been thrown out of line by the severe weather to which the ship was subjected. This would cause a sight bend in the shaft at each revolution, which night, after several hundred thousand revolutions, so exhaust the steel as to cause a fracture of Arrica have increased in value of three pints of blood from the arm of the shaft at each revolutions, in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, to \$1,167,271 in the fiscal stages of pelmgra when his brother gave his blood in the hope of the stages of pelmgra when his brother gave his blood in the hope of saving his life. Another brother, who of American motor cars.

## News of Petersburg

5 Bollingbrook Street,

dealy and under peculiarly sad circumstances at her home on Grove Avenue last night. It seems that Master Leon-

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There is every reason why

wise men will plan to buy their

new Suit or Overcoat at Weis-

berger's to-day - the great-

est values of the entire season

are offered in order to clear

our cases of all surplus stocks.

etc., in a splendid range of pretty patterns; the tailoring,

especially in the points that

count, is unusually good, while the fit and style lines will ap-

peal with unusual force to every man who sees them.

Come in to-day, look over these great values, you'll find the men's department just in-

side the dood.

This lot includes blue serges, 'cheviots, worsteds, homespuns,

into the street, accompanied by her sister, Miss Moody. Both women Petersburg, Va., December 25, sister, Miss Moody. Both women Mrs. Stephen Archer died very sud- swooned under the excitement, and were taken back in the house. Mrs. ard Totty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank be summoned, and Miss Moody was seof the world's visible supply of cotton there is now aftoat and held in Great Richard and held in Great Richard and held in Great Richard and Cotty, near neighbors, met with an actional strain and Continental Europe, 2.18-290 hales against 3.385,000 last year, in Egypt, and his cries, because of the pain he suffered, attracted attention and caused in the United States, 1.546,000 last year, and in the United States, 1.546,000 bales against 2.119,000 last year.

Archer, fearing that it was her son of excitement as well as sympathy in the regichleshood. lmost at the same spot, a son of Mrs 50 STORES UNDER ONE ROOF AND ONE MANAGEMENT loody died suddenly

The party of historians on their way Atlanta and the annual convention the American Historical Association in Charleston, S. C., will arrive in Petersburg to-morrow afternoon at 2:10 o'clock in their special train. They will be met at the station by the Mayor and citizens in automobiles and taken to historic points in and around the city and out to the battlefield. They will spend only a few hours at Petersburg, and no time will be allowed for any formal reception or entertainment. The visitors, among other points of interest, will be shown General Lee's and Grant's headquarters in this city, the famous Crater, and the handsome monuments erected on fields around the city. And in the list of places to be visited with the city of the country of the city around the city. And in the list of places to be visited historic old Blandford Church, now a beautiful Confederate memorial chapel, with its splendid state windows, commemorating the heroism of the soldiers of the South, will not be conjused. will not be omitted.

Decision Soon Expected.

It is expected that within the next week or ten days Judge J. F. West, of the Third Judicial Circuit, who presided in the Hustings Court of this city in the famous Avery-Tarette Chancery Cause, involving the control of the Harrison Street (colored) Baptist Church and the office of Pastor Tarette and other officials, will render his decision, which, it is hoped, will be final. The judge has had the recommendation of the case and briefs of counsel in hand for some time, but the business of his courts have prevented the full consideration of them up to the pres-ent time. The Harrison Street Church form or another for years, and has had the effect irreconcilably dividing the congregation into hostile factions.

Personal and Otherwise.

At 9 o'clock evening before last at the home of the bride in the West End, Miss Pearl Virginia Herr, daugh-ter of Joseph T. Herr, was married to George Wesley Costley, of this city. The oeremony was performed by the Rev. F. W. Moore, in the presence of

a number of friends.

It is estimated that between \$40,000 and \$50,000 will be paid out in dividends by the banks and other corporations of this city. Some few accidents resulted from the Christmas celebration here, but

none of them of sufficient severity to necessitate hospital treatment.

The Police Court docket this morning was a very long one, but com-posed mainly of trival cases. Some seven or eight parties who were caught with pistols on them were heavily fined, and in several instances jail sentences were given in addition.

Statesville Banker Ends Life.

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[Special to The Times-Lispatch.]
Statesville, N. C. December 26.—
Charles Miller, a local banker, aged twenty-three years, took his own life this morning about 10 o'clock by drinking a half ounce of carboile acid. To despondency following excessive drinking is attributed the deed. A wife and two children, one an infant born less than the control of the deed two children, one an infant born last | "Burrelle, New 1

### FINDS 1804 DOLLAR WILL DEVOTE LIFE VALUED AT \$3,500

Laborer Excavates Coin at New Miss Dalhgren, Society Girl, in Haven-Numismatists Doubt Story.

New Haven, Conn., December 26 .- A lection purposes, was found here to-

William Sulffvan, a laborer, excavating on the site of the new ice rink at the New York Training School, his shovel an old jar which rested bowlder seven feet below the sur-Nuremberg, green with exidization, and in it a United States silver dollar dated 1804, in good condition, a number of Connecticut copper coins, a Continental close of her visit will return to New York to resume her studies.

"I am not at liberty to state where slightly corroded, but they rubbed up my well and dates were plain. The notes had to be carefully handled to prevent disintegration.

"The New York to spend the holidays with friends, and at the close of her visit will return to New York to resume her studies.

"I am not at liberty to state where my work will take me," Miss Dahlgren Sald to-day, "but I am hoping it will be in America. On this score there is nothing to tell at this time. These plans are not perfected nor will they

Canal Ran Near Site. rested, giving the impression that water formerly covered the spot. The snuff box was taken to jewelers for examination. They found the contents but the news Miss Dahlgren was to be-

nd he none the snuff box is of 1740.

The 1304 dollar cleaned up showed on one side a woman's head, with "Liberty" and thirteen stars above it, and leavor it is the st Methodist Protestant Charles of the sident of the Christian Endeavor lety, is regarded as one of the sident best and most faithful works best and most faithful works, and his disappearance is a source United States of America complete the The words on the edge are: "One hundred cents."

New York, Recember 26 - Numisma-tists said to-day that it was extremely unlikely that an American deliar of the date of 1804 had been found in known dollars of that date were struck off from the 1894 die in 1858, and what few were minted went generally into the hands of collectors. So far as known there are no mint records American dollars struck of in though for years in was reported that American dollars minted in 1804 went to Algeria and were logt. Coin dealers thought that to-day's New Haven find would prove to be either a Spanish or a Bank of England dollar of 1804.

circles, and talk of improving trade conditions abroad, as well as by an idea that the fechnical position of the market had improved on the break of 12c. for spring periods, Covering has also been promoted by reports of relatively steadler spot markets, but business has shown a tendency to taper off on rallies of 19435 points from the low level of the week, and the more buillish features noted have checked the selling movement rather than to have inspired any general or aggressive demand. A good deal of the buying on the decline is supposed to have come from some of the larger international houses, and to have represented a reduction in big straddle lines between New York and Liverpool.

There has also been active covering by old shorts and some demand has been reported against spinners fixing prices. General assumentials are there has been evidently less disposition to predict further immediate decilines after these drastic liquidations and in view of the relatively steady spot markets, but the glaning figures have encouraged the larger estimates of the crop, and many operators are now awaiting further developments in that connection.

#### Remarkable Christmas Present

There are many people in private as well as in public life who need press clippings and don't know it. It might be well for them to look up this man Burrelle, who is said to be so well known that a letter simply addressed "Burrelle, New York," will reach him with no delay. (Advertisement.)

Training as Deaconess, to Graduate Next May.

Ispecial to The Times-Dispatch. 1 silver dollar bearing the date 1804. Newport, R. I., December 26 .- Mys highly prized by numismatists, and un- Romia Dahlgren, the pretty society derstood to be quoted at \$3,500 for col- girl of New York, Newport and Washington, who is in training for work as deaconess of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and who is under instructions or the Yale hockey team, turned over graduate with ceremony at the Cathe face of the street near-by. Under the bowl was a silver snuff box made in Nuremberg, green with oxidization, and in it a United States allows for the costume of the church office.

Miss Dahlgren is here at present with Deaconess Gilespie, of the Deacones Gilespie Gilespie Gilespie Gilespie Gilespie Gilesp

plans are not perfected, nor will the The Northampton Canal was close by in the old days, and excavation showed a ledge of locks, on which the bowlder at the New York Training School for

woman who like her parents, is deep ly interested in charitable work, visit ing and comferting the sick. When Newport heard of Mrs. Dahlgren's death, there was general sorrow. all over the country to-day Miss Dahl from her friends here as well

American Society for Control of Cancer Deplores Exploitation of Remedy.

New York, December 26.—In a statement issued by the American Society for the Control of Cancer, at 289 Fourth Avenue, the public is warned against exaggerated assertions concerning the value of radium as a cure for the disease. It is said that the curative effects of radium are practically limited at present to superficial cancers of the skin which have not become malignant. skin which have not become malignant. No cure for the so-called generalized No cure for the so-called generalized cancer, according to the statement, has been discovered. The limited supply of radium, also, is said to place this cure at present out of the reach of the great

trol of Cancer feags that exaggerated ideas of the power of radium in the treatment of cancer may result from the recent publicity given to this agent in the daily press. It appears highly and horse-drawn vehicles, fishnets, agriced by allowing a property and horse-drawn vehicles, fishnets, agriced by allowing a property and horse-drawn vehicles, fishnets, agriced by allowing a property and horse-drawn vehicles, fishnets, agriced by allowing a property agriced by allowing a property and horse-drawn vehicles, fishnets. the recent publicity given to this agent in the daily press. It appears highly important at the present time that the limitations of radium in the centrel of cancer should be emphasized, as well as its favorable effects of radium are practically limited to-day to superficial cancers of the skin, to superficial growths of mucous membrane which are not true cancers and to some deeper lying tumors in the bone which are not very malignant.

The problem of the constitutional treatment of advanced inoperative cancer is still untouched by any method yet devised or likely to be devised for administering radium. Even

must be applied before we can finally determine the real value of radium. "It should be emphasized especially that radium cannot at present exert any permanent benefit on generalized cancer, and since cancer, in a large proportion of cases, is w disseminated in the body early in the course of the disease, this entire group of cases can expect no important relief from radium. Another large group of cancers is comparatively inaccessible to the application of radium, so that the ultimate course of the dis-ease is not affected, although certain portions of the tumors may be reduced

in size.
"Under the term 'cancer' are commonly grouped several diseases which differ widely in nature, causation and Among the curious Christmas presents of this year will be one for a man of national reputation, which has been all year in the making.

Way last January the present was decided upon, and a friend of the prominent gentleman requested the Burrelli Press Clipping Bureau, of New York to watch every paper in America and to take up every item hich appeared concerning the man.

The clipping bureau people followed ence to determine just what type of cancer one has to deal with, as well as the advisability of using radium. concerning the man.

The clipping bureau people followed instructions, and now present the history of one year in the life of this aspecial man.

The history ends just after election, and the 20,642 newspaper items found include everything, from editorial.

The history ends just after election and the 20,642 newspaper items found include everything, from a three-line editorial mention to full-page illustrated stories. These have been mounted on 3,200 great sheets of Irish linen paper and bound into three massive volumes.

At the head of each item is the name and date of paper clipped from, this information having been put in with a book typewriter. The words thus inserted amount to 152,253.

In actual time, a very strict record of which has been kept, the work has required sixty-four working days throughout the year, and has kept in employment during that time thirty people as readers, clippers, sorters, mounters and binders. Every newspaper of importance is represented.

This is merely a specimen of some of the unique orders which get into the winder of the unique orders which get into the winder and thirty New Yorkers Take Plunge at Coney Island.

DEFY COLD TO GO SWIMMING

Hundred and Thirty New Yorkers Take Plunge at Coney Island. The water registered 35 degrees, while the temperature of the atmosphere.

### Men! There Are Some Left-Overs of Nice Goods Much Underprice

soc Silk Ties, Four-in-Hands, open ends, splendid 35c range of choice ..... 50c Suspender and Garter Combination Sets, for 38c only ...... \$4.00 Bath Robes for men, Blanket or Terry \$2.96 Cloth, for ..... \$6.00 House Coats, plaid collar and cuiffs, \$3.75 for ..... \$1,25 Cape Walking Gloves for men..... \$3.00 Gauntlet Gloves for men.....



THE REPORT OF THE PARTY OF THE

Past Year Made by Superintendent.

periences, from saving lives at sea and in fires to the pursuit of law-breakers, in fires to the pursuit, at funerals, the men of sels that were running into dangers, sels that were running into dangers, sels that were running into dangers, during the last year. The report of S.

I. Kimball, superintendent of the service, just made public present.

of the service. The value of property lost was \$1,763,150.
"The records show the saving of 106 shown

persons, mostly bathers and swimmers; ninety-six cases of first-ald administat present out of the reach of the great
majority of sufferers from cancer.
The statement is in part as follows:
"The American Society for the Control of Cancer feags that exaggerated ideas of the power of radium in the treatment of cancer may result from the saving, upon 157 occasions, of personal property, such as automobiles ered to sick and injured persons; shelter and subsistence afforded to 116

forests; aid on seventy occasions ex tended to other branches of public service; also unclassified services, such as the apprehension of thioves and other lawbreakers, the detection of smugglers, the finding of lost children and assistance at burials.

Value of Property Saved.

Report of Operations During Through the efforts of the life-saving service vessels and their cargoes, valued at \$13,860,000, were saved. In several cases help was given by revenue cutters and wrecking vessels. The crows of the service, with outside aid, Washington, December 26.—Running their cargoes, at \$6,032,935, and carry-the gamut of thrilling and tragic ex-

shore, and caring for injured officers and men

Of the total of accidents, small and undocumented, motor boats comprise 68 per cent, more than two-thirds of all the persons exposed to danger from the sea being on board this class of the sea being on board this lass of craft. The danger in unskilled handling of small pleasure craft thus is shown to be excessive.

Use of Power Boats Recommended. The use of power boats instead of mended by the showing that of the 4,006 persons endangered, 2,748 were

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